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SUBURBAN SIFTINGS.

RILLSDALE GLEANINGS -SHOOTING MATCH -SOCIETY AND PERSONAL GOSSIP. HILLSDALE, Dec. 22. Mrs. D. R. Wiggins is quite ill. Jessie Price is on the sick list. Dr

Merriman, of Port Byron, is attending. Pearsall Bros. shipped one car of hog-from here yesterday and one today. The pile driver was at work on the railroad bridge above town the latter part

Ben Woodburn is home from Chicago for a visit. We are glad to see his pleas ant face in this vicinity.

John Krantz has a few good sleds for

sale on reasonable terms. Call on him before purchasing a sled. Dave Scott has bought one of those celebrated Whiteman hay presses, and is ready to press hay or straw on reasonable

There will be a Christmas tree at the Hillsdale school house on Christmas eve. There will be an interesting pro-

Last Thursday evening at the residence of J. A. Liphardt, there was a social dance and oyster supper. Quite a large crowd was out and everybody enjoyed

the affair.
Our lightning shoe maker, Rosco Rose, has built an addition to his shop in the shape of a large chicken coop. We will probably have a new industry in our

town in the spring. There will be an entertainment at the Enterprise school house New Year's eve. Mr. R. G. Shephard, a blind lecturer of Port Byron, will give a lecture on "The Means of Educating the Blind." There will be music on the flute and piano by him also. After this a basket festival, omething after the style of a necktie festival, will take place

On Thursday and Friday, Dec. 30 and 31, there will be a glass ball and pigeon shooting match at this place; five hundred live pigeons and six hundred glass balls have been procured for the occasion.

HAMPTON, Dec. 22.

Frank Wells, of Racine, Wis., was in town yesterday. Harry Adams gave a party to his young friends Thursday evening. There will be a social dance at Cromp-

ton's hall Priday evening.

Wm. Anderson and wife of Henry

county, were in town Monday.

Miss Nettie Beals, of Port Byron, was a guest of Miss Marion Baker over Sunday.
Thomas Thompson, who has been furn

ing Iowa the past summer, has returned home for the winter. Charles Nelson had a fine horse killed on the tram railway of the Northern Min-

ing company on Tuesday. The ice harvest is about completed at this point. All the ice houses being

The choir of St. Mary's Catholic church of this place, go to Rapads City on Christmos, to sing at high mass.

The hog cholera is raging in the cou Mr. Daniel Mosher has lost about fifty lately. Henry Freis and Byron Warren have also lost many.

Eider Cool, of Rock Island, preached u

powerful sermon to a large congregation at the M. E. church Sunday evening. The subject was "Origin and History of

Laurel camp of Modern Woodmen held their election Monday evening, with the Consul -Robert Calvert

Banker-Wash Livergood.

There is a scarcity of teams, and trade is poor at the mines on the bluff. The Carbon Cliff literary now meets

It costs Alf Bennett fifteen cents per week to keep that mustache of his in Work at the Arrillo works is about

over for the season, most of the men have been laid off.

went to Moline one day last week, and jumped off while the train was in mo-tion. As a result be looks as though be

had passed through a threshing machine.

W. A Porter is driving a fine blooded colt. She is of the Logan stock, and four years old, though she is a smart one; she will throw dust in some of their eyes in the near future.

Beware, oh ye temperance people, of the cider sold at the various innoceent grangers' homes in this locality. It looketh like the green waters of the river Rock, and tasteth like milk and honey, but a bolt of double-soled chain lightning abideth in each cup of it.

One man has offered to donate \$5

towards building a new hall at the Cliff. If subscriptions keep pouring in as fast in the future, our hall will be completed April 1, in the year 4114. We have figurd it out to the day, so let the noble work proceed.

The Argillo works are nearing the end of the season. One half of the hands have been laid off for some time. They have nearly enough stock on hand for a starter for next season. Matters are being shaped preparatory to shutting down

Did anybody ever hear a nightingale sing in this part of the country, especially at this time of the year? If not, he can have the pleasure of hearing one at R. S. Silvis' coal shaft between the hours of 10 and 12 a. m. The little fellow is down at the bottom of the shaft, where it is

There is a man living in Porterville that has a mule team noted for its vocal thanks powers, and he feeds them on oil cake and bran. The bray is of fine soprano, and the master sings basso profundo, therefore we expect a fine vocal enter-

tainment in the near future.

The coal business seems to be the most prosperous at the present time. We have a mine near our burg on the farm of George Church. It is termed the Southwestern Coul & Fuel Co's, property and it is a stock company. The main stockholders we learn are Fuzy Joe and a Mr. Boliver. They are doing a large business, especially in the slack line

We hear that the exhibition, which was to take place some time before Christmas has been postponed. The performance was to consist of Shakespeare's, Hamlet and the parts had all been secured, except the ghost. It seems no one wishes to be a ghost. By the way if anyone knows of a firstclass ghost in Rock Island, he will greatly oblige a life long subscriber, by letting us bear from him.

sleighriding, but it seems as if their opportunities are very rare, yet they are on the alert for all that may be offered. By the way, there was a young man riding through the Cliff the other evening and they sighted him from afar. He stopped, and two of these ladies came up, expect

THE RED ACORN.

BY JOHN M'ELROY,

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CHAPTER VIII.

THE TEDIUM OF CAMP. To really enjoy life in a camp of instru tion requires a peculiar east of mind. It requires a genuine liking for a treadmill round of merely mechanical duties; it requires a aste for rising in the chill and cheerles tasts for rising in the chiri and cheeries dawn, at the invectome summons of reveille, to a long day filled with a tiresome routine of inhorious drills, alternating with technics roll calls and wearisome parades and inspections; it requires pleased contentment with walks continually cut short by the camp guard, and with assessment limited to rough horse pleawith approximents limited to rough horse play

on the parade ground and dull games of card by sputtering candles in the tent. These were the trials that tested Harry Glen's resolution sorely. When he enlisted with the intention of redeeming himself he naturally expected that the opportunity he desired would be given by a prompt march to the field and a speedy entrance into an en-gagement. He nerved himself strennously for the dreadful ordeal of battle, but this became a continually receding point. The bit-ter defeat at Bull Run was bearing fruit in months of painstaking preparation before venturing upon another collision.

"I do wish the regiment would get orders to move," said almost hourly each one of a half million impatient youths fretting in camps of instruction through the long sum-mer of 1831.
"I do wish the regiment would get orders

to move," said Harry Glen angrily one evening, on coming into the surgeon's tent to have his blistered hands dressed. He had been on fatigue duty during the day, and the fatigue squad had had an obstinate struggle with an old oak stamp, which disfigured the parade ground, and resisted removal like an

even—to go into battle," he continued, while Dr. Faul Denslow hild plasters of simple cerate on the abraded palms and then swathed them in bandages. "Anything is preferable to this chopping tough stumps with a dull ax and drilling six hours a day while the thermometer hangs around the nineties." "I admit that there are things which would

seem pleasanter to a young man of your tem-perament and previous habits," said the sur-geon, kindly. "Shift over into that arm stool, which you will find easier, and rest a little while. Julius, bring in that box of rigars," While Julius, who resembled his illustrion

namesake as little in colority of movement as be did in complexion, was coming, the sur-geon prepared a paper, which he presented

to Harry, saying:
"There, that II keep you off duty to-morrow. After that, we'll see what can be done. Julius arrived with the eigars as tardily as if he had to cross a Rubicon in the back room. Two were lighted, and the surgeon settled himself for a chat. "Have you become tired of soldier life?"

asked he, studying Harry's face for the effect of the question. "I cannot say that I have become tired o it," said Harry, frankly, "because I must ad mit that I never had the slightest inclination

to it. I had loss funcy for becoming a sol dier than for any other honorable pur that you could mention." "Then you only joined the army"

"From a sense of duty merely," said Harry, nocking the ashes from his cigar. "And the physical and other discomforts now begin to weigh nearly as much as that

are more of them than are absolutely essen tial to the performance of that duty. I want to be of service to the country, but I would prefer that that service be not made

"I can make your lot in the service easier, said Dr. Denslow. "Indeed! How so?" By having you appointed my hospita

steward. I have not secured one yet, and the man who is acting as such is so intemperate that I feel a fresh sense of escape with every day that passes without his mistaking the exalle acid for Epsom salts, to the destruction

"If you accept this position," continued the surgeon, flinging away his refractory eight in disgust, and rising to get a fresh one, "you will have the best rank and pay of any noncommissioned officer in the regiment, better, indeed, than that of second leutenant. You Mrs. Laura Settles has received the sail will have your quarters here with me, and be compelled to associate with no one but me, brasks.

Rumor says that one of Silvis mine cars was offed one day lost week, and having got a start on down grade, has

ments," said Harry, meditating upon the de-lightfulness of relief from the myriad of rasp-ing little annovances which rendered every day of camp life an affliction.

tes, and still farther, you will never need to go under fire, or expose yourself to danger of any kind, unless you choose to."

Harry's face crimsoned to the hue of the western sky where the sun was just going down. He started to answer hotly, but an understanding of the surgeon's evident kindness and sincerity interposed to deter him. He knew there was no shaft of sarcasm hid-den below this plain speech, and after a monent's consideration he said-

"I am very grateful, I assure you, for your kindness in this matter. I am strongly tempted to accept your offer, but there are

"May I ask your reasons?" "My reasons for not accepting the appoint

"Yes, the reasons which impel you to prefer a dinner of bitter herbs, under Mr. Pancake's usually solied thumb, to a stalled ox and my profitable society," said the surgeon, gayly.

Harry hesitated a moment, and then decided to speak frankly. "Yes," he said, "your kindness gives you the right to know. To not tell you would show a lack of gratitude. I made a painful blunder before in not staying unflinehingly with my company. The more I think of it, the more I regret it, and the more I am decided not to repeat it, but abide by my comrades and share their fate in all things. I feel that I no longer have a choice in the matter; I must do it. But there goes the drum for roll call. I must go. Good evening, and very many

"The young fellow's no callow milksop, after all," said Surgeon Denslow, as his eyes followed Harry's retreating form. "His gristle is hardening into something like his

CHAPTER IX.

ON THE MARCH. The regiment made its first step on Ken tucky soil with a little bit of participable of tentation. Every one looked upon it as the real beginning of its military career. When the transport was securely tied up at the wharf the colonel ununted his horse, drew his sword, placed himself at the head of the regiment, and gave the command "Forward." Eleven hundred superb young fellows, marching four abreast, with bayoncts fixed and muskets at "right shoulder shift," strode up the bank after him and went into line of pany. battle at the top, where he made a short, soldierly speech, the drums rolled, the colors dipped, the men cheered, and the band played "Star Spangled Banner" and "Dixie."

contemplation of his regiment and scanning anxiously the tops of the distant line of en-circling hills, as if he expected to see there signs of the Confederates in strong force. All the rest imitated his example, and studied the horizon solicitously. "And I expect we shall have plenty of it!" continued the

colonel.
"No doubt of that," answered the major,
"They say the Confederates are filling Kentucky with troops, and going to fight for
every foot of the old dark and bloody ground.
I think we will have to care all we get of it." "To-day's papers report," joined in Surgeon

We've got 1,100 good men in ranks, and we're going to do all that 1,100 good men can do. God Almighty and Abe Lincoln have got to

It will be seen that the colonel was a very brough the weasterfully lovely Blue Grass region, toward the interior of the state, with-

The turnpike, hard and smooth as a city payement, wound over and around romantic hills—hills crowned with colar and evergreen curel, and scarred with cliffs and caveras passed through forests, arountic with rip-ning nuts and changing leaves, and glorious the colors of early autumn. Then its course ing acres, bounded by substantial stone walls, marked by winding streams of pure spring water, centering around great roomy houses, with huge outside chimneys and broad plazzas, and with a train of humble negro cabins in the rear. The horses were proudstepping thoroughbreds, the women comely and spirited, the men dignified and athletic, and all seemed well fed and comfortable. The names of the places along the route recalled to Harry's memory all he had ever rend of the desperate battles and massacres and single associates with the Indians in the early his-

tory of the country.

At last the regiment halted under the grand old beeches and hickories of the famous camp Dick Robinson, in the heart of the Blue Grass region. In this most picture-sque part of the lovely Kentucky River valley y spent the bright days of October ver

fature is as kindly and gracious in central centucky as in any part of the globe upon sinch her sun shines, and she seemed to be a her best behavior, that she might duly mpress the northern visitors.

It was the very postry of soldiering, and Harry began to forget the miseries of life in a camp of instruction, and to believe that there was much to be enjoyed, even in the

There was enough excitement in camp to revent any danger of ennui. The proba-dity of battle gave the daily drills an in-nest that they never could gain in Ohio. The native Confederates were numerous and defiant, and kept up such demonstrations as led to continued apprehensions of an attack. New regiments came in constantly, and were re-(ved with enthusiasm. Kentucky and East nucssee loyalists, tall, gaunt, long haired d quaint spoken, but burning with enthusn for the government of their fathers, flocked to the camp, doffed their butternut garb, assumed the blue, and enrolled them-selves to defend the Union.

Outpools were involved in all the recisions of gain the enriest intelligence of the progress of the movement, and to make such resistance to it as might be possible. One of these extrests was stationed at Wildeat Cap, an in-

that an overwhelming Confederate force under Gen. Zeilicoffer was on the eve of attacking the siender garrison of Wildest gap. The 'assembly' was sounded, and the regiment, lastily provided with rations and ammunition, was burried forward to nid in the defense of the threatened extremel. efers of the threatened outpost.

Nature, as it in sympathy with the gather-ng storm of war, ceased her smiling. The due, bending skies were transformed into a

his company. He was coescrets all the time, though be suffered no outward sign to betray the fact, that he was closely watched by the boys who had been with him in western Virregiment, except your humble servant. As to food, you will mess with me."

"Those are certainly very strong induce-

He was shortly ordered to assist in the in gittfulness of relief from the myriad of raspgittfulness of relief fro lines in the melanchety rain, examined each bux and gave the owner the quantity of cartraiges required to make up the quota of unon their wheel-mules,

forty rounds per man.

Those who scrutinized his face as he passed slowly by saw undermenth the dripping caves of his broad brimmed hat firm set lines about his mouth and a little more luminous light in

"Harry Glen's screwing his courage to the sticking point. He's bound to go through this time," said Kent Edwards.



hospital steward approached, and

to convey your First Lieut. Pancake to comfortable quarters which have been prepared for him in the hospital barracks. His rheumatic trouble has suddenly assumed an acute form—brought on doubtless by a change in the weather—and he is suffering greatly. Please instruct the men to be very careful in carrying him, so as to avoid all unnecessary pain, and also all exposure to the rain. He will have a good room in the bospital, with a fire in it, and every attention, so that you need have no fears concerning him."

"I never had," said Kent, loud enough to pany.
"I have," said Abc. "There's every danger in the world that he'll get well."

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The Carbon Cliff the rain left

that they might hear more.

They needed not. There was no diff about hearing the succeeding reports, which became every instant more distinct. "By God, that's cannon!" said the colonel. "They're attacking our boys. "They're attacking our boys. Throw on everything, boys and hurry forward!" Overcoats, blankets, inversacks and knapsacks were hastily piled, and the two most exhausted men in each company placed

on guard over them.

Kent and Abe did not contribute their Acet and Ales dan not commone then canteen to the company pile. But then its weight was much less of an impediment than when they left Camp Dick Robinson.
They employed the very brief halt of the regiment in swabbing out the barrels of their muskets very carefully, and removing the

last traces of moisture from the nipples and "At last I stand a show of getting some re turn from this old piece of gas tube for the trouble it's been to me," said Kent Edwards, as he ran a pin into the nipple to make asace doubly sure that it was entirely

free. "Think of the transportation charges I have against it, for the time I have lugged it around over Ohio and Kentucky, to say nt around over Onlo and Kenticky, to say nothing of the manual labor and the mental strain of learning and practising 'present arms,' 'carry arms,' 'support arms,' and such other military monkey shines under the hot

sun of last summer!"

He pulled off the woolen rag he had twisted around the head of the rammer for a swab, wiped the rammer clean and bright and dropped it into the gun. It fell with a clear ring. Another dexterous movement of the gun sent it flying into the air. Kent caught it as it came down and scrutinized its bright head. He found no smirch of dirt or dampness. "Clean and clear as a whistle inside," he said, approvingly. "She'll make music that our secssion friends will pay attention to, though it may not be as sweet to their ears as 'The Bonnie Blue Flug.'" "More likely kick the whole northwest

quarter section of your shoulder off when you try to shoot it," growled Abe, who had been paying similar close attention to his gun. "If we'd had anybody but a lot of the roads were good, and when we could've done something. Now our boys'll be licked before we can get where we can help 'em."

Glen leaned on his musket, and listening to the deepening roar of the buttle, was shaken by the surge of emotions natural to the occasion. It seemed as if no one could live through the incessant firing, the sound of which rolled down to them. To go up into it was to deliberately venture into certain destruction. Memory made a vehement protest. He recalled all the pleasant things that life had in store for him; all chat he could onjoy and necomplish; all that he might be to others; all that others might be to him. Every enjoyment of the past, every happy possibility of the future took on a more en-

Could be give all this up, and die there on the mountain top, in this dull, brutal, un-beroic fashion, in the filthy mud and dreary rain, with no one to note or care whether he

acted courageously or otherwise?

It did not seem that he was expected to fling his life away like a dumb brute entering the resking shambles. His youth and abili-ties had been given him for some other pur-pose. Again pulvesting fear and ignoble sol-tishness tugged at his heartstrings, and he felt all his carefully cultivated resolution

"A sergeant must be left in command of At length it became evident that the Conchrata "Army of Liberation" was really
bout crossing the Cumberland mountains to
rive out the "Yankees" and recover poses
"Cart. Remett charge of the control of the control
control of the Cart. The captain of Company A will
detail one for that duty."

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Capt. Bennett glanced from one to another of his five sergoants. Harry's heart gave a swift loop with hope that he might be ordered to remain behind. Then the blood crimsoned his checks, for the first time since the sound of the firing struck his cars; he felt that every eve in the company was upon him, and that outposts was stationed at Wildeat Gap, an in-cyreasibly wild and desolate region, sixty makes from Camp Deck Robinson, where the road entering Kentucky from Temessee at Camberland gap crosses the Wildeat range of unous tains.

One day the startling news mached camp the tube was clear, and wiped off the loci with a fine white handkerchief-one of the relics of his bygone elegance-which be dree from the breast of his blouse.

"Sergt Glan-Sergt Glancey will remain," said the captain, peramptority. Glancey, the captain knew, was the only son and sup-port of a widowed mother. "Now, boys," said the colonel in tones that

be seen to war, ceased her sming. The case, so we have the seen th onen me order to prepare for the march came. Given, following the example of his committee, purked three dary cooked rations in his haversack, made his blankets into a roll, tying their each together, threw them and fashion over his shoulder and took.

The mountain sides range of the dear old Buckeyestate I need not exhort you to do your dary like men, I know you too well to think that any such words of mine are at all necessary. Forward! quick time! Mattern?

The mountain sides range of the dear old Buckeyestate I need not exhort you to do your dary like men, I know you too well to think that any such words of mine are at all necessary.

> was at first in separate bursts of sound, as regiment after regiment came into position and opened fire. The intervals between these bursts had disappeared and it had now be

the front.
"My God, our men are whipped!" exclaimed

So it proved to be. There were teamster upon their wheel-mules, cooks, officers, ser-vants, both black and white, and civilian emand those who could not were endeavoring to keep up on foot with the panic stricken

All seemed wild with one iten: To get as far as possible from the terrors raging around the mountain top. They rushed through the regiment and disordered its ranks "Who are you a shovin', young fellow-say!" demanded Abo Bolton, roughly collar-

ing a strapping bulk of a youth, who, batless and with his fat checks white with fear, came plunging against him like a frightened

"Heavens! what a wretched remnant, as the dry goods man said when the clerk brought Browns ate it chim a piece of salvage as all that the burglars enjoyed it. had left of his stock of broadcloth," said Kent Edwards. "It's too bad that you were allowed to get a way, either. You're not a give a bad impression of your company. You ought to have thought of this and staid up there and got killed and let some better look-

ing down the bank.
"Capt. Bennett," shouted the colonel an grily, "fix bayonels there in front and drive these hounds off, or we'll never get there."

A show of savage looking steel sent the skulkers down a side path through the The tunnit of the buttle heightened with every step the regiment advances. A turn in the winding road brought them to an open-ing in the woods which extended clear to the summit. Through this the torrent of noise poured as when a powerful lead passes the head of a street. Down this avenue came rolling the crash of thousands of muskets fired with the interse energy of men in mortal combat, the deeper pulsations of the artilitery, and even the interse call of the fighters, as charges were made or repulsed.

Glen felt the blood settle around his heart promptly and thoroughly with Darbys Prophylactic fluid, the great germ destroyer.

the flats of their drawn sabers. Another gun, with its straining horses and galloping at-tendants, and another, and another, until six great, grim pieces, with their scores of des-perately eager men and horses, had rushed by toward the front.

It was a sight to stir the coldest blood. The excited infantry boys, wrought up to the last pitch by the spectacle, sprang back into the road, cheered vociferously, and rushed on

after the battery.

Hardly had the echoes of their voices died away, when they heard the battery join its thunders to the dim of the fight.

Then wounded men, powder-stained, came straggling back—men with shattered arms and gashed faces and garments soaked with

and gashed faces and garments soaked with blood from bleeding wounds.
"Hurrah, boys:" each shouted with weak-ened voice, as his oyes lighted up at sight of the regiment, "We're whipping them; but hurry forward! You're needed!"
"If you ain't pretty quick," piped one girl-faced boy, with a pensive smile, as he sat weakly down on a stone and pressed a delicate hand over a round red spot that had just appeared on the breast of his blouse, "you'll miss all the fun. We've about licked em already. Oh:—"

Abe and Kent sprang forward to eatch him, but he was dead aimest before they

him, but he was dead almost before they could reach him. They laid him back ten-derly on the brown dead leaves, and ran to

regain their places in the ranks. The regiment was now sweeping around the last curve between it and the line of but-tle. The smell of the burning powder that filled the air, the sight of flowing blood, the shouts of the fighting men, had awakened in every bosom that deep-lying killing instinct pherited from our sware sweeter, which inherited from our savage ancestry, which slumbers—generally wholly unsuspected—in even the gentlest man's bosom, until some

Now the slaying fever burned in every soul.

They were marching with long quick strides, but well closed ranks, elbow touching elbow, and every movement made with even more than the accuracy of a parade. Harry feit himself swept forward by a current as re-sistless as that which sets over Ningara. They came around the little hill, and saw a bank of smoke indicating where the lime of

"Let's finish the canteen now," said Kent.
"It may get bored by a bullet and all run out, and you know I hate waste." "I suppose we might as well drink it," as ented Abe—the first time in the history of the regiment, that he agreed with anybody

and it would be too bud to've lugged that all the way here, just for some one else to drink." An aide, powder grimed, but radiant with joy, dashed up. "Colonel," he said, "you had better go into line over in that vacant space there, and wait for orders; but I don't think

"We may n't be able to do it in ten minute

you will have anything to do, for the general believes that the victory is won, and the infederates are in full retreat." A 's spoke, a mighty cheer rolled around of lettle, and a band stationed upon no a which formed the highest part of the

untain, burst forth with the grand stran of the "Star Spangled Banne The artillery continued to bard screaming shot and shell down into the narrow gorg through which the defeated Contesie were flying with mad hasts.

"If the heart of a man is depressed with cares, the mist is dispelled when the bot-tle appears. Not a bottle of spirits, oh no but a small vial of that invaluable compound known to civilization as Dr. Bull's

Eunice Barton, an eighteen year-old girl of Frederick, W. V., was shot dead by her younger sister, who was examining a revolver that she knew was not Eunice was to have been married on Thursday to Asa Gray, a young

Who rise unfreshed, feel languid through the day, have little appetite, and whose faces exhibit a sallow tint, are on the short route to the grave. Unless they can enact a radical change in their condition they will not reach old age, Invigoration is the only means of their physical salvation. Unon Hostetter's gentlemen engaged in conversation up to Men and Women in Life's Prime. they can enact a radical change in their condition they will not reach old age, Invigoration is the only means of their physical salvation. Upon Hostetter's Stomsch bitters they can rely to furnish them with stemma, which is a prerequisite of health, and to remove that prime cause of continued debility, indigestion and non-assimilation of the food. We class these causes as one, since they are joint functions of one organ, the stomach chiefly. Built up and rehabilitated with this superb restorative of vigor, the system may bid defiance to malaria, rheumatism, bladder and kidney diseases, and other maiadies prone to atttack the ensafeguard against disease of a virtual type, but effects a prompt reform in the idition of a drowsy or disordered liver

and irregular bowels. The Consul General of Costa Rica in Paris, having asked for salary, the goven-ment has replied that it cannot pay for its consular service, and has canceled his exequatur, along with those of several other consuls, at the same time thanking them for their previous service.

HE HAD SALT RHEUM FOR 20 YEARS. A. Manvel, Ass't Supt. & G. P. Agt., C. R. I. & P. R. R., writes: "For twenty years I have been afflicted with Salt Rheum in a most serious form. During the winter season, my hands have been in such condition that I was unable to dress or undress myself without assistance, and I have not had gloves or handages off my hands for about 'four months' until I began using Papillon (extract of flax) Skin Cure. I certainly think it has cured my hands." Large bottles only \$1,

at H. H. DeSanto's. Last summer Roswell Brown, of Mystic Conn., put some watermelons in his cellar and one of them was covered up and forgotten. Just before Thanksgiving it was discovered in good condition, and the Browns ate it on Thanksgiving day, and

Consumption can be Cured. Dr. J. S. Combs, Owensville, Ohio, "I have given Scott's Emulsion of Cod Liver oil with Hypophosphites to four patients with better results than ought to have thought of this and stand up there and got killed and let some better looking man got away, that would have done the company credit. Why didn't you think of this?

"Life" and Alexantontons with a twict. "Git!" said Abe, sententiously, with a twist frequent pulse, fever and emaciation in the coward's cellar, that, with the help of All these cases have increased in weight from 16 to 28 ths., and are not now needing any medicine."

Two more centenarians have recently

died, and both were colored women Charlotte Malone, of Houston, was one

She was born in 1776, and was in New

Orleans when Jackson fought its famous

battle. The other was Julia Ann Brown, of Philadelphia, who claimed to be over one hundred years old.

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the British Cabinet. LONDON, Dec. 24.—It is announced that Lord Randolph Churchill has resigned his seat in the cabinet because he can not agree icord Randotph Churchill has resigned as seat in the cabinet because he can not agree with his colleagues regarding their domestic policy and the proposition to increase the expenditures for army and navy purposes in the present depressed condition of business affairs. Lord Churchill considered that Mr. Smith and Lord George Hamilton have prepared exorbitant estimates for the army and navy departments, respectively, uncalled for by the state of foreign affairs. Lord Salisbury supported Mr. Smith and Lord George Hamilton Lord Randolph further considers that the legislative measures for Great Britain proposed for the next session of parliament are inadequate.

The Times criticises Churchill for hasty action and says: "His resignation deprives the government of its ablest member and completely changes the political situation. Lord Salisbury will do well to renew overtures to Lord Hartington for a coalition government. A reconstructed Conservative cabinet without new blood can not last long, and will lead to the return of Mr. Gleistone to office."

Willing to Fight for It.

Lonnon, Dec. 24. Dean. Byron, presidir at a meeting of 5.000 Nationalists at Poin eroy, County Tyrone, Wednesday, de nounced the government. He said that it the coercive policy was persisted in he would not be responsible for the peace of his dis-trict. Sir Thomas Esmond, member of par liament, and a number of Catholic priest spoke in a similar strain. They approved the plan of rampeign, and said they wer willing to take up arms to rid Ireland o landlordism. Several government reporter were present at the meeting

Believe War Is Imminent. Lospos, Dec. 24.—The resignation of Lord Randolph Churchill has caused a pr found sensation here. The reasons that I to it, and Lord Salisbury's stand in uphoid ing the estimates for the army and navy as prepared by the ministers of those respective departments, it is believed, indicates that the ninistry is of the opinion that a war is in amont, and it is the intention of the govern ment soon to innugurate extensive nav and military preparations with a view making its influence felt on the continent.

Loxbon, Dec. 24.—An interchange of views between Gladstone and his colleagues of the last Liberal cabinet on the attitude to be adopted by the Liberal party at the open-ing of parliament has resulted in an agree-ment to support the government in all lega-efforts to suppress the anti-real campaign but to urge the immediate enforcement of some form of Parnell's bill for the suspension of exictions. The Gladstone circle is irri-tated over the action of Messrs. Dilion and

Dillon and Others Discharged. DUBLIN, Dec. 24 -Mr. John Dillon an the other implicated Nationalist members parliament appeared at Longitrea Taursday in answer to the government summons to appear at their peril on a charge of con-spiracy. The government did not prosecute them, and they were discharged. Mr. No-lan. Nationalist member of parliament, wathe presiding magistrate

Aid from New South Wales. LONDON, Dec. 24.—A dispatch from Syry, N. S. W., says that at a meeting r itly held there, £1,000 were subscribed t and the exceled tenants of Ireland. Amon the subscribers were Archbishop Moran an the premier, who subscribed £100 cach

ELECTION-FRAUD CASES

Witness Who Thinks He Saw Parties Working on a Tally Sheet, INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Dec. 14. The election fraud cases were continued before the United States commissioner Wednesday. The testimony was of the same general character a Tuesday, repeating conversations of defen-ants made about the time that the taily

other witness testified that at the canvasse board, during the discussion of the rotor Bernhamer, one of the detentions, open publicly, and defiantly asserted that the publicly, and definally asserted that for Republicans "ought to stop kicking, as they have been playing this game on us for year and ought to take their own medicine." The investigation was adjourned until Monday

The International Range Association. DENVES, Col., Dec. 24 - A call was issu-Wednesday for the annual meeting of the International Range association, which will be held in this city Feb. 8, 887. It invites the owners of range cattle generally though out the United States, Mexico, and British Columbia to attend. K. G. Head, president of the association, in an interview expressed himself as being in favor of eniarging the powers of the bureau of animal industry in reference to securing the passage of the bili for the suppression of contagious cuttle dis-cases, introduced by Senator Miller. Color-ndo cattlemen sustain Mr. Head in this view. Mr. Head mailed a letter to the secretary . the irreasury Wednesday, asking him to pro-hibit the importation of cattle from all coun-tries where bevine diseases exist.

Pardoned by President Cleveland. Washington City, Dec. 24.—The pres-lent has granted a pardon to O. B. Owens, convict in the Chester penitentiary, under sentence for crook d work in a nation bank of which he was an officer. He is very well connected, and his relatives and friends have made most determined efforts to secure executive elemency, at lest with success. The ground of pardon is the reputa-bility of his family and the fact that he has bility of his family and the fact that he has been pretty well punished already, and that his conduct in the penitentiary has been most exemplary. Two sisters of Mr. Owen-have been here making most persistant and beartrending appeals to the attorney general in their brother's behalf, and be finally ad-vised the issue of the pardon. He stoke about \$280,000.



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